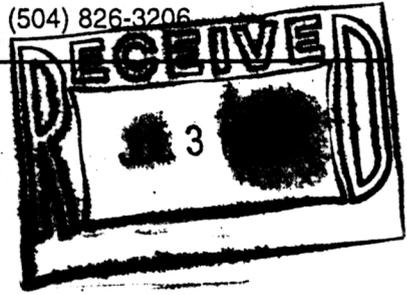


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PUBLIC NOTICE - The State and Federal Natural Resource Trustees (Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator's Office; Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality; Louisiana Department of Natural Resources; Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and U.S. Department of the Interior) have begun scoping to prepare the Louisiana Regional Restoration Planning (RRP) Program/Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement. The purpose of the RRP Program is to develop an institutional framework and procedures that will enable the trustees to select and implement projects in Regional Restoration Plans (RRPs) that compensate the public and environment for losses of natural resources and services from unauthorized discharges of oil in a consistent and predictable manner. The purpose of the RRP will be to identify, on a regional basis in the State of Louisiana, existing, planned, or proposed projects that may provide appropriate restoration alternatives for natural resources injured by oil spills and to enhance resolution of claims for natural resource damages caused by oil spills in a more expeditious and cost-effective manner.

Public Meetings: The following are the dates and locations of public meetings scheduled (6:00 to 9:00 P.M.) to seek comments on the Public Review Document of Louisiana's Proposed Regional Restoration Planning Program and input for the RRP Program/PEIS:

- * July 17, 2001, Shreveport, LA - State Office Building, 1525 Fairfield Avenue, Room 205
- * July 18, 2001, Monroe, LA - City Hall, Council Chamber, 1st Floor, 400 Lea Joyner Expressway
- * July 19, 2001, Alexandria, LA - Convention Center, 2225 N. MacArthur Drive
- * July 24, 2001, New Orleans, LA - Joseph S. Yenni Bldg., 1221 Elmwood Park Blvd., Jefferson Parish Council Chamber, 2nd Floor
- * July 25, 2001, Lake Charles, LA - Burton Business Center, McNeese State University, 350 Lawton Drive
- * July 26, 2001, Baton Rouge, LA - Department of Wildlife & Fisheries, 2000 Quail Drive, 1st Floor, Louisiana Room

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